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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 81-17

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OFFICERS

SUBJECT: REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM AND CUBAN/HAITIAN ENTRANT PROGRAM
CLAIMING INSTRUCTIONS: ASSISTANCE EXPENDITURES

REFERENCE: ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-54-80
NIGHT LETTER 11/26/80

This is to provide claiming instructions for assistance expenditures for:

1. The Refugee Resettlement Program (RRP) established by the Refugee Act of 1980 (Public Law 96-212).
2. The Cuban Program Phasedown (CPP) based on special rules and funding applicable to phasedown as outlined in Section 313(c) of the Refugee Act of 1980 (Public Law 96-212).
3. The Cuban/Haitian Entrant Program (CHEP) established by the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980 (Public Law 96-422). NOTE: It is anticipated that this program will be implemented in the near future.

The Refugee Resettlement Program and Cuban Program Phasedown

Federal funding under the Refugee Resettlement Program is available at 100 percent for:

1. The nonfederal share of assistance expenditures in behalf of time-eligible refugees who meet the requirements of the federal AFDC-FG/U/FC programs.
2. Assistance expenditures in behalf of time-eligible refugees who meet the requirements of the Refugee Cash Assistance Program.

Current phase-out instructions for the Cuban Program Phasedown remain in effect. Based on these instructions, 60 percent of the nonfederal share of assistance costs are federally reimbursable for the Federal Fiscal Year 1981 (October 1, 1980 through September 30, 1981). Because states have the option of seeking federal reimbursement based on 60 percent of the Fiscal Year 1977 adjusted cost base, it is anticipated that California's total Cuban Program Phasedown expenditures for the Federal Fiscal Year 1981 will be reimbursable. Please note that the percentage of federal reimbursement for the Cuban Program Phasedown is not designated on the claiming forms. One hundred percent should be inserted in the spaces provided on the forms.

In order to secure available federal reimbursement and meet federal reporting requirements, additional identification of Refugee Resettlement and Cuban Program Phasedown cases will be required as listed below. Whenever possible, the suggested codes listed are those currently in use. These suggested codes may be substituted by county codes upon approval by DSS if the county's payroll defines the code used.

Expenditures for those refugees who meet the federal eligibility requirements under the AFDC programs will be reported on the AFDC-FG/U/FC claims. Each AFDC reporting system (FG/U/FC) must provide separate summaries of the total federal persons counts and net total aid paid in behalf of Refugee Resettlement and Cuban Program Phasedown cases. NOTE: For the Cuban Program Phasedown recipients, it will be necessary to separately identify total nonfederal persons counts, if any, and expenditures in their behalf. If refugee payments under the AFDC-FG/U Program include county supplement, the county supplement total must be included in the summary. If refugee payments under the AFDC-FC Program include a nonreimbursable rate increase, the total nonfederal share of the nonreimbursable rate increase must be included in the summary. The following are suggested codes to be used on the AFDC payrolls to identify payments, cancellations, abatements, adjustments and repayments for Refugee Resettlement and Cuban Program Phasedown recipients.

Refugees from Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam in receipt of federal AFDC	IR
Other refugees in receipt of federal AFDC	OR
Cuban Program Phasedown recipients in receipt of federal AFDC	CR
Cuban Program Phasedown recipients in receipt of nonfederal AFDC	NC

Expenditures for refugees (other than Cuban Program Phasedown recipients) who are not eligible for SSI/SSP or federal AFDC-FG/U/FC will be claimed under the Refugee Cash Assistance Program (RCA). These refugees will be identified with separate aid codes as follows: (Please note that unaccompanied Indochinese refugee children are to be identified with aid code 01; unaccompanied non-Indochinese refugee children, if any, are to be identified with aid code 07.)

Refugees from Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam	01
Other Refugees	07

Further break-out of expenditure data will be needed for reporting purposes and the following are suggested codes to be used on the payrolls to identify payments, cancellations, abatements, adjustments and repayments as applicable:

Payments in behalf of refugee children in foster care (not to be used for unaccompanied refugee minors)	FC
Payment in behalf of unaccompanied refugee minors	UR
Burial expense*	BE

NOTE: Unaccompanied children are not subject to the 36-month time limit provisions applicable under the Refugee Resettlement Program as of April 1981. Full federal funding will be available for expenditures in behalf of these children until they reach the age of majority for California Child Welfare Services cases.

The Cuban/Haitian Entrant Program NOT EFFECTIVE UNTIL LEGISLATIVE AUTHORIZATION PROVIDED 1/

It is anticipated federal funding under the Cuban/Haitian Entrant Program will be available at 100 percent for:

1. The nonfederal share of assistance expenditures in behalf of time-eligible entrants who meet the requirements of the federal AFDC-FG/U/FC Programs.
2. Assistance expenditures in behalf of time-eligible entrants who meet the requirements for the Entrant Cash Assistance Program.

In order to secure available federal reimbursement and meet federal reporting requirements, additional identification of Cuban/Haitian Program cases will be required as listed below. These suggested codes may be substituted by county codes upon approval of DSS if the county's payroll defines the codes used.

When expenditures for those entrants who meet the federal eligibility requirements under the AFDC Program are reported on the AFDC-FG/U/FC claims, it will be necessary to furnish summaries which provide the same information as noted above for refugees who meet AFDC federal eligibility requirements. The suggested code to be used on the AFDC payrolls to identify payments, cancellations, abatements, adjustments and repayments for Cuban/Haitian Entrants is CH.

Expenditures for entrants who are not eligible for SSI/SSP or federal AFDC-FG/U/FC will be claimed under the Entrant Cash Assistance Program (ECA). These entrants will be identified with the separate aid code 08. Further breakdown of expenditures data will be needed for reporting purposes and the following are suggested payroll codes to be used to identify payments, cancellations, abatements, adjustments and repayments as applicable.

*Reimbursement also claimable when expenditure made in behalf of a refugee eligible to Refugee AFDC (FG/U/FC) at the time of death.

1/Except for those forms or portions of forms applicable to the Cuban/Haitian Entrant Program which are not to be used until further instructions from DSS.

Payments in behalf of entrant children in foster care (not to be used for unaccompanied entrant minors)	FC
Payments in behalf of unaccompanied entrant minors	EM
Burial expense*	BE

NOTE: Unaccompanied children are not subject to the 36-month time limit provisions.

The following claiming forms will be used to claim reimbursement under the Refugee Resettlement Program, the Cuban Program Phasedown and the Cuban/Haitian Entrant Program:

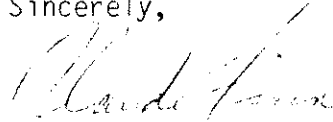
1. To claim additional federal reimbursement for recipients in receipt of AFDC:
 - a. Form DFA 844: Additional Federal Funds Claimable Based on the Nonfederal Share of Expenditures for Refugee Resettlement, Cuban Program Phasedown and Cuban/Haitian Entrant Recipients in Receipt of AFDC.
 - b. Form DFA 847: Additional Federal Funds Claimable Based on the Nonfederal Share of Expenditures for Refugee Resettlement, Cuban Program Phasedown and Cuban/Haitian Entrant Recipients in Receipt of Federal AFDC-FC.
 - c. Form DFA 843: Federal Funds Claimable Based on Expenditures for Cuban Program Phasedown Recipients in Receipt of Nonfederal AFDC-FC.
2. To claim federal reimbursement of expenditures for those refugees not eligible under the AFDC Programs:
 - a. Form DFA 846: Summary Report of Assistance Expenditures for the Refugee Cash Assistance Program (RCA).
 - b. Form DFA 823: Federal Funds Claimable Based on Expenditures for Cuban Program Phasedown Recipients in Receipt of General Assistance.
 - c. Form DFA 845: Summary Report of Assistance Expenditures for the Entrant Case Assistance Program (ECA).
3. The above claims must be substantiated by detail listed on the payroll forms used by your county for other assistance claims or on the Form ABCD 801.

*Reimbursement also claimable when expenditure made in behalf of an entrant eligible to Entrant AFDC (FG/U/FC) at the time of death.

An initial supply of the above Summary Documents will be sent to you under separate cover. Instructions for the use of each form are outlined on the reverse of the form. These forms are to be used effective with the claims for February 1981. 1/ Instructions for retroactive claiming will be sent separately.

If there are questions concerning this letter or the form when received, please contact Cheryl Adamo at (916) 323-0276 or Gen Whitfield at (916) 323-0277.

Sincerely,



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cc: CWDA

I/Except for those forms or portions of forms applicable to the Cuban/Haitian Entrant Program which are not to be used until further instructions from DSS.

RETROACTIVE ADJUSTMENTS: CUBAN/HAITIAN ENTRANTS

Effective Date	Definition	Initially claimed	Aid Code	Should be Claimed	Aid Code and/or suggested ID code*	Adjustment
From date county records indicate AFDC-FG/U/FC or GA was authorized and paid for individuals who meet the qualifications for Entrant as outlined in the "Definition" column.	Cuban/Haitian Entrants include: 1. An individual from Cuba with required documentation who arrived in the U.S. between 4/21/80 & 10/10/80. 2. An individual from Haiti with required documentation who arrived in the U.S. at any time up to and including 10/10/80. (Reimbursement under the Entrant Program not available prior to 10/1/79) 3. An individual from Cuba or Haiti with required documentation who arrived in the U.S. after 10/10/80. (Note: not eligible for AFDC.)	AFDC-FG/U (federal and/or nonfederal) or AFDC-FC (federal) or AFDC-FC (nonfederal) or AFDC-FC (nonfederal) Unaccompanied Minors or General Assistance	30 or 35 42 40	AFDC-FG/U (federal and/or nonfederal) Cuban/Haitian Entrant AFDC-FC (federal) Cuban/Haitian Entrant AFDC-FC (nonfederal) Cuban/Haitian Entrant Entrant Cash Assistance (ECA)	30 CH or 35 CH 42 CH 40 CH 08EM	Form DFA 844: Adjust Line 14 to include retroactive Entrant persons count and total aid. Form DFA 847: Adjust Line 7 to include retroactive Entrant persons count and total aid. Form DFA 843: Adjust Line 5 to include retroactive Entrant persons count and total aid. 1. CA 800A BH1 (Non-federal): Adjust Line 9 to delete retroactive persons count and total aid. 2. DFA 845: Adjust Line 5 to include retroactive Entrant persons count and total aid. Form DFA 845: Adjust Line 5 to include retroactive Entrant persons count and total aid.

*I.D. Codes may be substituted by county codes upon approval by DSS.

RETROACTIVE ADJUSTMENTS: OTHER REFUGEES

Effective Date	Definition	Initially claimed	Aid Code	Should be Claimed	Aid Code and/or suggested ID code*	Adjustment
From date county records indicate AFDC-FG/U/FC or GA was provided for period beginning 10/1/79	Other Refugees include refugees eligible under the Refugee Resettlement Act other than a refugee from Cambodia, Laos or Vietnam. Does not include: Cuban Program Phasedown recipients or Cuban/Haitian Entrants.	AFDC-FG/U (federal and/or nonfederal) or AFDC-FC (federal)	30 or 35 42	AFDC-FG/U (federal and/or nonfederal) Other Refugees AFDC-FC (federal) Other Refugees	30 OR or 35 OR 42 OR	Form DFA 844: Adjust Line 1 to include retroactive Other Refugees persons count and total aid. Form DFA 847: Adjust Line 1 to include retroactive Other Refugees persons count and total aid.
		AFDC-FC (nonfederal) or AFDC-FC (nonfederal) Unaccompanied Minors	40 40	AFDC-FC (nonfederal) Other Refugees Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA)	40 OR 07 UR	Form DFA 843: Adjust Line 1 to include retroactive Other Refugees persons count and total aid. 1. CA 800A BHJ (Non-federal): Adjust Line 9 to delete retroactive persons count and total aid. 2. DFA 846: Adjust Line 5, Column B, to include retroactive Other Refugees persons count and total aid.
		General Assistance	90	Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA)	07	Form DFA 846: Adjust Line 5, Column B, to include retroactive Other Refugees persons count and total aid.

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